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SUBJECT: EXPORT RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED BY MAURITANIA

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1. OTHER THAN CURRENCY CONTROL, ONLY MAURITANIAN EXPORT RESTRICTION EMBASSY IS AWARE OF DURING PAST FIVE YEARS CONCERNS PROHIBITION AGAINST EXPORTING CATTLE ON THE HOOF AND ANIMAL MEAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORDONNANCE 75,077 OF MARCH 12, 1915. THIS LAW PROHIBITS EXPORTATION OF ALL CATTLE ON THE HOOF AND MEAT OF SHEEP, CATTLE, GOAT AND CAMEL EXCEPT BY THE MAURITANIAN COMPANY FOR THE SALE OF MEAT. ORDONNANCE WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

2. THIS MEASURE WAS TAKEN TO MAINTAIN DOMESTIC SUPPLIES OF MEAT AND CATTLE ON THE HOOF DURING PERIOD OF SHORTAGE. PREVIOUSLY, LARGE QUANTITIES OF MEAT AND CATTLE ON THE HOOF WERE SOLD ACROSS MAURITANIA'S BORDERS, PARTICULARLY IN SENEGAL AND MALI.

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3. BECAUSE IT IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO ENFORCE

RULING, THERE HAS BEEN MINIMAL EFFECT ON MAURITANIAN
TRADE WITH SENEGAL AND MALI. THERE HAS BEEN NO EFFECT
WHATSOEVER ON TRADE WITH UNITED STATES.HANDYSIDE

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